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Members Only Offer Inside!!

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HITS THE
HOLIDAYS!!

HAPPY
HOLIDAYS!



UP CLOSE & PERSONAL

The Royal King

Favorite game: Chess.
Favorite food: Oatmeal Pudding
Favorite Movie: Robin Hood
Favorite Headgear: His shiny crown

The royal ruler enjoys bombing around in his carriage and practicing his swordplay.

What does he like best about modern times? Snowboarding and TV. "There's a great mountain near Rudolph, Wisconsin, where you can grab some serious air and do extreme 'boarding tricks," says the king.

The king especially likes watching Castle Improvement on TV. "Not many people know how to fix a trapdoor like Hal and Jim," he says.



Becky Blasthoff

Favorite food: Freeze-dried ice cream
Favorite TV Show: Star Trek: Voyager
Favorite hobby: Stargazing
Favorite Vehicle: Moon Buggy

It's all systems go for this gung ho astronaut. What does Becky like best about being in space? "Zero gravity," she says. "I just have to remember to keep my arms tucked in when I sleep. Otherwise they float up and hit me in the face, waking me up."

Back on earth, Becky goes home to Evergreen, Alabama, where she's the champion "grabber" game player at the video arcade. "After plucking satellites out of space with the shuttle's 'Canadian arm,' I can grab one of those stuffed animals with my eyes closed!"



Check out page 16 for the contest!



Maniacs, scope out this page carefully! It's packed with groovy details about your favorite LEGO celebrities and clues to help you solve the mysterious contest on the back page!

Captain Redbeard's friends include a monkey named Coco and a parrot named Squawks. He keeps busy by changing the entrance to his secret hideout. "How can you have a secret entrance when that blasted parrot won't keep his beak shut?"

To relax, Captain Redbeard likes to ski barefoot behind his souped up Renegade Runner. He's working on a barefoot jump he calls the Pirate Plunge.

When visiting the 20th century, he sneaks off to LEGO, West Virginia, with his metal detector and tries to find his favorite hook, which he lost while burying some treasure.

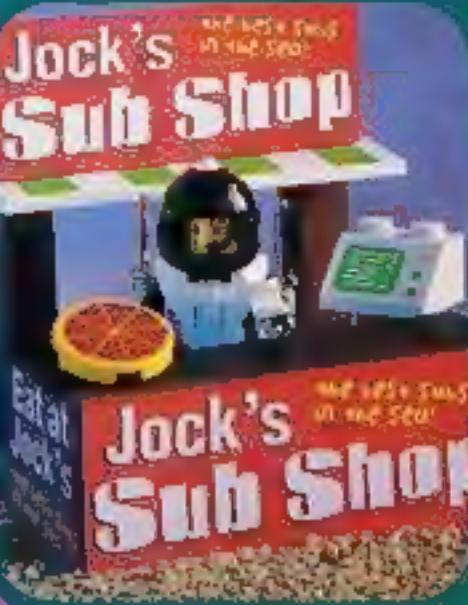
Captain Redbeard

Favorite game: Treasure Island
Favorite hobby: Metal collecting
Favorite movie: Hook
Favorite cartoon character: Yosemite Sam



When Jock isn't harvesting hydrolator crystals with the Neptune Discovery Lab's crane, he's running a chain of underwater sub shops that feature kelp burgers, seaweed salad, and plankton pizza.

His favorite sport is octopus wrestling, but he hasn't won yet. "In my last match in Snowflake, Arizona, even with two arms tied behind its back, I still couldn't beat that critter," Jock says. But for Jock, nothing beats strapping on his oxygen tank, fins, and mask and cruising colorful coral reefs.



Jock Clouseau

Favorite food: Kelp burgers
Favorite TV show: SeaQuest
Favorite movie: Jaws VI: Return of the Aquasharks
Favorite book: Under the Sea



MANIAC MailBag

Send your stories & ideas to:
LEGO Club, P.O. Box 1308
Enfield, CT 06083-1308

Holiday Magic Brings LEGO Figures to Life!

Enfield, CT- The Holiday season is the most magical time of the year. Magical and mysterious things happen all over the world. Right here at MANIA MAGAZINE, we've been getting reports of LEGO figures coming to life. Just check out these strange but true stories. The figures have even taken over the magazine.

We're takin' over!

We're in charge now!



MANIAC DISCOVERS BIG FOOT

BUILDING SHUTTLE!

More strange but true stories on pages 5, 6 & 7!
(OK, they're not completely true, but they are strange)

"MAJISTO, A DROID?"

by: Beau Christian Hesterberg of Texas

One day the heard rumors about a attacking villagers near his castle. The reports said that the attacks came from a fire breathing fortress atop a cliff. So the took his sword Excaliber, and scaled the cliff. He wondered, "How does control the ? I don't believe in sorcery."

Soon the was at the top of the cliff. There he saw ! "Majisto," the called, "your dragon days are over!" waved his wand, and the lunged. The swung his sword Excaliber. The leaped back. The grabbed and shook him. Majisto's clothes and skin ripped off. was a !

The shook his wand, and it sent radio signals. The lunged again. The ducked in between the 's legs, and crawled up his back. The saw something in the 's ear. He took it out. Suddenly the turned upon the and destroyed it. Turning to the , he said, "Thank you. That evil put the ear phones in my ear and drove me crazy. Is there any way I can repay you?" The replied, "Can you take me back to my castle? It's a long hike." **THE END**

Wow! Pretty intense story, Beau! We can't wait for the sequel.

Check out the centerfold for members only special offer!





AQUAPUS



Your design could be featured in Cool Creations. Send in your original model-making instructions to:

LEGO Club, "Cool Creations"
P.O. Box 1308, Enfield, CT 06083.

Club members featured will receive a free LEGO set of their choice (\$100 value).

You can build your own "Aquapus" with pieces found in #6175 Crystal Explorer Sub, #6155 Deep Sea Predator, or with the pieces from your own collection!

Richard Noone, age 8, of Arizona sent us his great idea for the high-speed, multi-armed, crystal seeking Aquapus.



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FOR INQUIRING Maniacs

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Snowflake, AZ •••
Ten-year-old George Bailey watched in amazement as his Neptune Discovery Lab swung into operation in the boy's bath. "I was just putting my foot in the water to see how hot it was when an octopus grabbed my toe. Then the lab lit up and the crane started unloading hydrolator crystals from the Crystal Explorer Sub," explained George.

George ran to get his mother and brother Harry, but when they went into the bathroom, there was nothing unusual happening in the tub. Then, when George climbed into the tub, the lab started up again. "It was real cool looking. The crystals were glowing, the motors humming and then an Aquanaut popped up through the bubbles and winked at me," George said.

EXCLUSIVE Feature Story

AQUANAUTS SURFACE IN TUB'S SUDS!



Town Decorated by ELVES from SPACE!

See Pg. 6 for MORE!



Boy lives in...
Toy Castle!



Maniacs Want to Know

• TOWN DECORATED BY ELVES FROM SPACE?

Evergreen, AL • • Over the last 12 nights, trees in Evergreen have been mysteriously decorated. Families who put up trees in the evening woke up to find their trees completely decorated. Left by each tree were small footprints.

Those footprints led people to believe that elves using space ships were the culprits... until now. An eye witness, Cindy Lou Dew, said her LEGO space shuttle decorated her family's tree. Little Cindy Lou got up last night to get a glass of water. She heard a noise and went to investigate. "The shuttle blasted off from the launch pad and zoomed to the top of the tree towing a string of lights. Then the astronauts hung a LEGO ornament on the tree's highest branch with the shuttle's special Canadian Arm,"

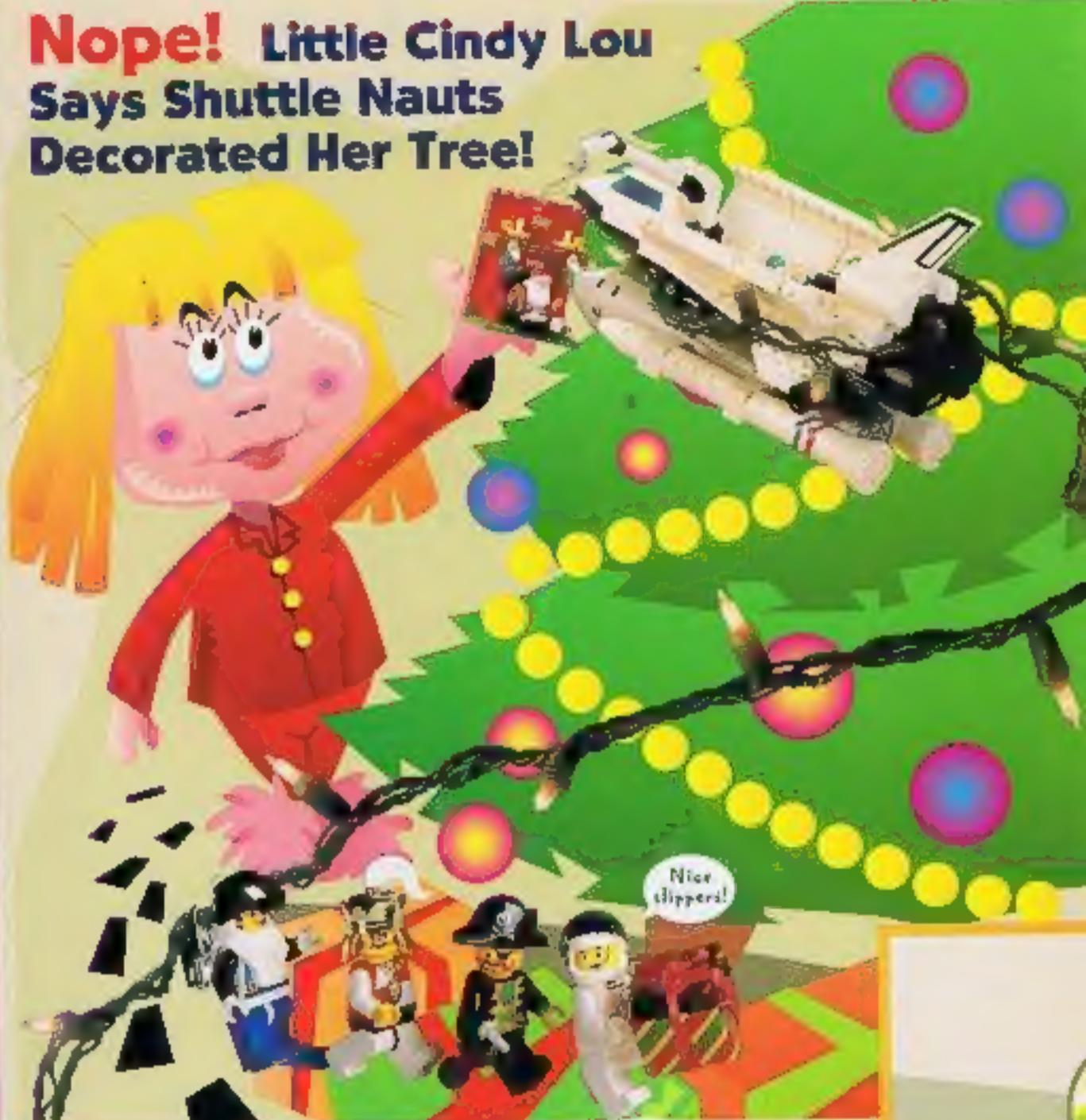
Cindy Lou said.

LEGO village grows out of boy's head!

"I was building like mad when it suddenly appeared" said Jeshua. "It does not hurt. But getting my hair cut has become a problem!"



Nope! Little Cindy Lou Says Shuttle Nauts Decorated Her Tree!



BOY LIVES IN... TOY CASTLE!

Rudolph, WI • • Dan Anderson caused quite a stir in history class when he returned from vacation. Dan came to class wearing a cape, helmet and shield. "I'm training to become a Royal Knight." Dan told his teacher. When Dan said he was living in his LEGO Royal Knights Castle, he was sent to the principal's office.

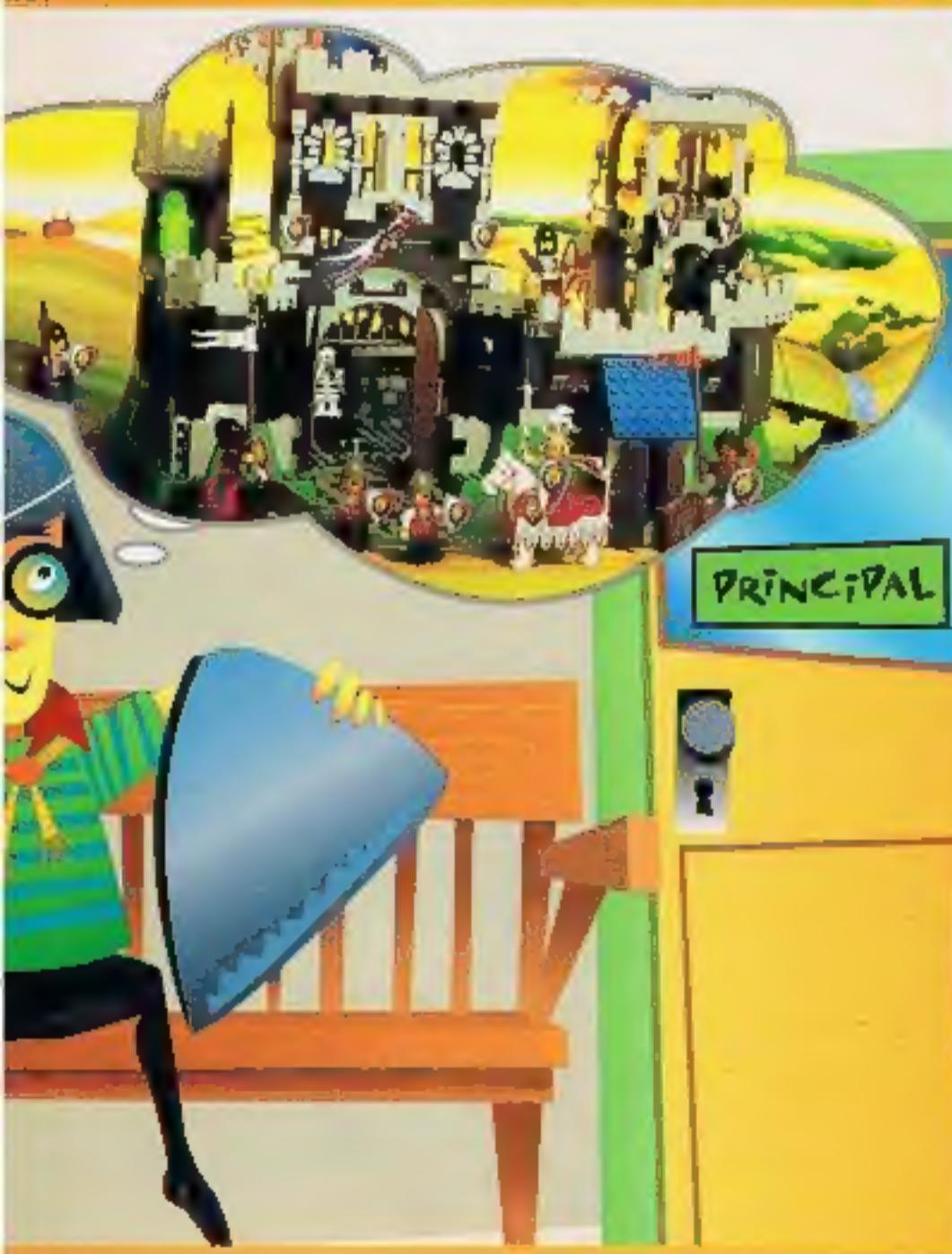
This is Dan's story: "After I took my present up to my room, the Royal King rode over the drawbridge and said, "Squire Dan, follow me for adventure." So I did. It was weird. At first, I didn't think I'd fit. But when I touched the drawbridge, lights flashed, there was smoke, and, poof, I was inside. It's really cool living in a castle. There are secret passages all over; a ghost hangs out in the tower and there is an awesome catapult. The food's a little weird though. I eat most of the stuff - except for the eels. And the best part is the awesome ride back to my bedroom. I just open a trap door and slide down this slick ramp into my room."



... Is it really true?

Pirates Plunder Prize Presents!

LEGO, WV • • All over the world, holiday gifts have been disappearing. At the same time, large piles of sand have mysteriously appeared on Skull Island. Coincidence? "I think not," says King Kahuka. "I know for a fact that the pirates have been heisting holiday treasures and hiding them on Skull Island," he said. "They already filled up their secret cave with the big stuff like bikes and catamarans," the Islander King added.



When told about King Kahuka's comments, Captain Red Beard replied, "The king is just mad because he didn't get the new red catamaran with the shields, spears and drum that he asked for. We have that...I mean, oh, you wanted to know about the, ah, sand piles. Well, the crew and I are just building a giant sand castle so we can get in the Guinness Book of Records."

Lizard seen driving Space Plane in Illinois?

Ryan Winslow & David Parrish spotted it late last night zooming over their town.



LEGO® Indiana

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YOUR MODEL TO:

LEGO Club
P.O. Box 1308
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Maniac Madness



Remember to include
your name, address, age
and model name. Pictures will
not be returned, so take an extra
photo for yourself!

TOBY HUYSSEN
age 11
"Island"

ADAM WUSHENSKY
age 10
Pennsylvania
"LEGO Cat"

It has a functioning
cylinder and is made of
450 pieces. Each green
bar holds pops up and the
mouth drops open!

HARRY CARINO
age 31
Delaware
King Sea Fortress
Dragon

ANDREW WALKER
age 9
New York
"Sunny Side Harbor"

ROSS LEVIN
age 10
California
"Robot working on his laptop"

ANDREW KEYSER
age 7
Illinois
"Punch Press"

The heavy photos
the gears to move the
"big" press up and
down!

ELIZABETH SHINGLEY
age 11
Georgia
"Aztec Temple I built for a history project"
in LEGO



JOHN JAMES AND TRAVIS BRADBURY
ages 9, 8 and 5
Illinois
"Castle"



WESLEY INGRAM
age 11
California
"Future Comedian"



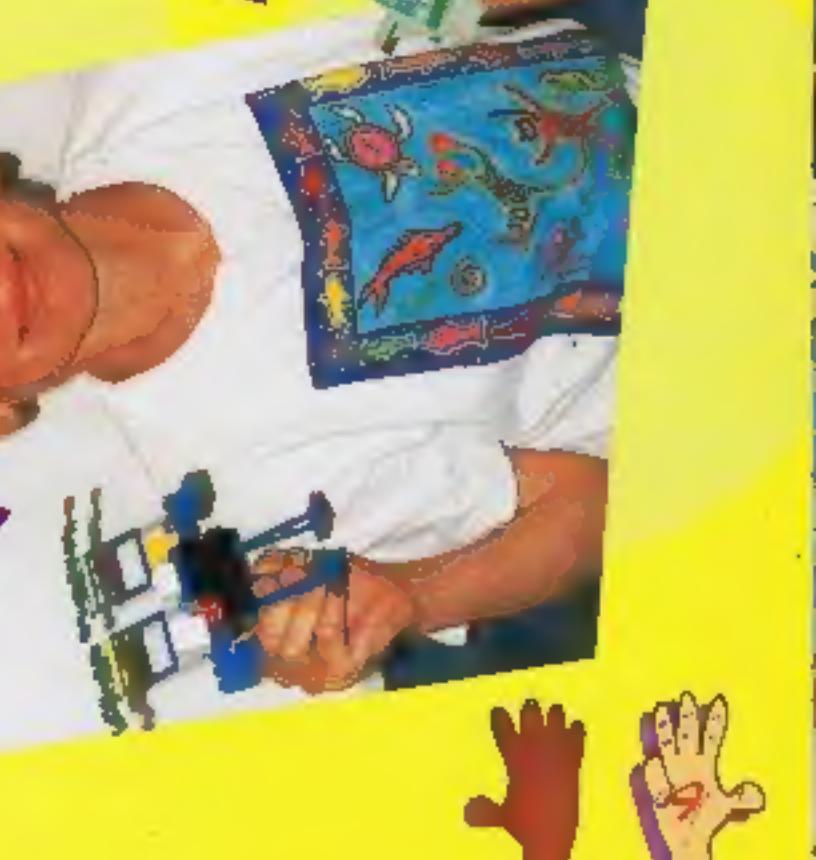
WEATHER WARNING!
A heavy blizzard dumped a ton of snow
in LEGO Town. Skiers and sledgers should be careful.
Loud noises and lots of sledding activity could cause
avalanches. The fast moving storm is now headed to
the North Pole, where the storm could delay
delivery of holiday presents.



NICHOLAS SITTER
age 7
Iowa
"School Yard Fun"

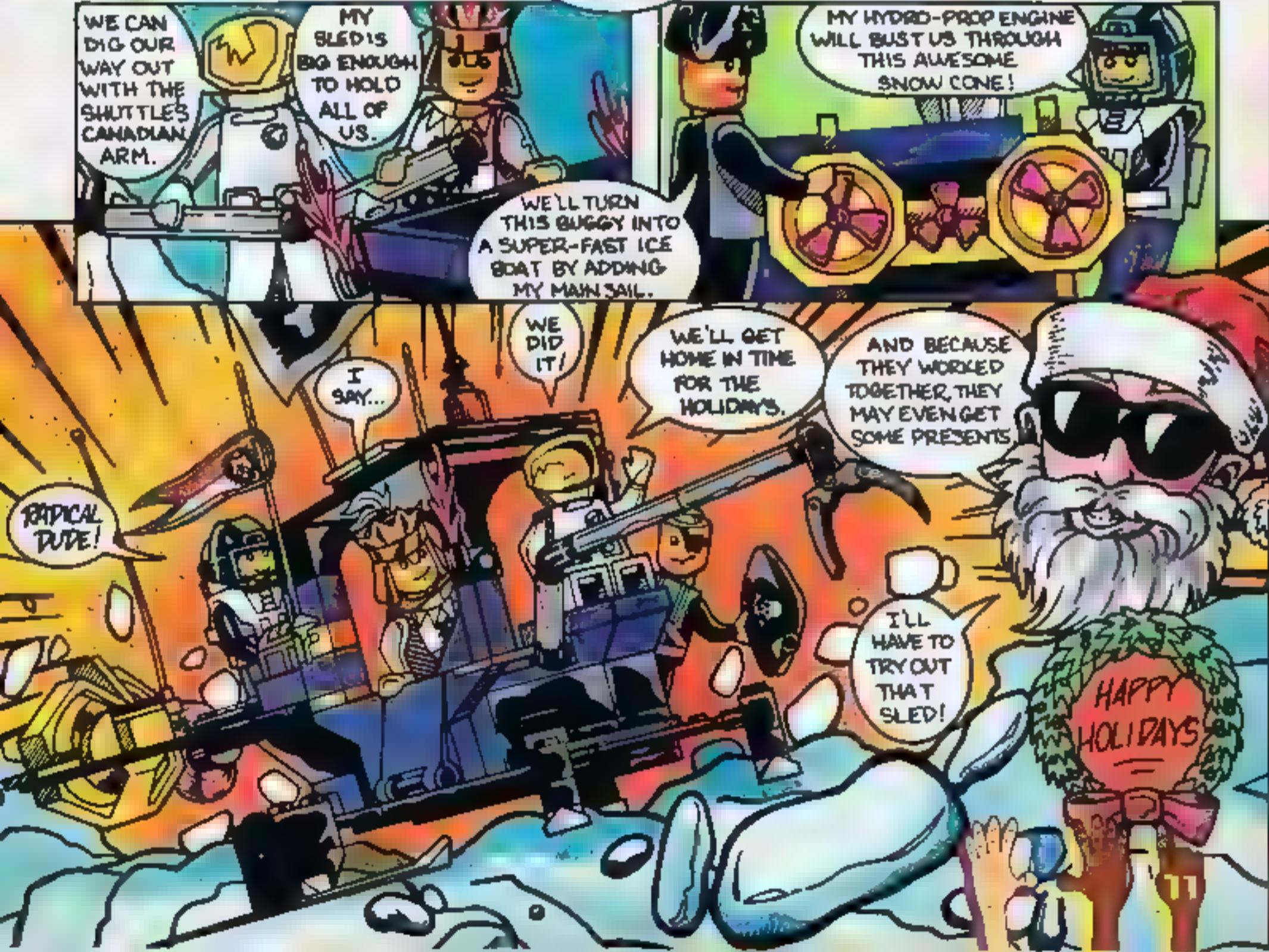


MILES DEEFE
age 5 1/2
Washington
"Freeze Defender"



the Adventures of the LEGO Maniac





MORE COOL CREATIONS



Don't wait for
an avalanche to
hit before you
build this high
powered sledding
machine.



Hey! Your design could be featured in
Cool Creations. Send in your original
model-making instructions to:

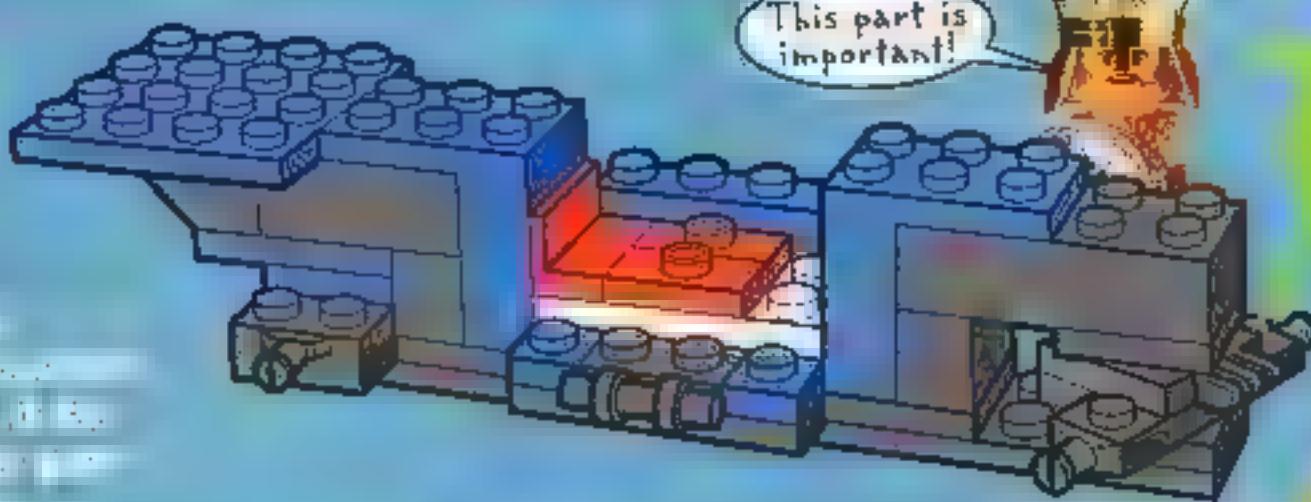
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The Super Sled

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A 2x2
hinged
swivel
plate

3



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Power up your Super Sled with twin, high speed, jet engines.



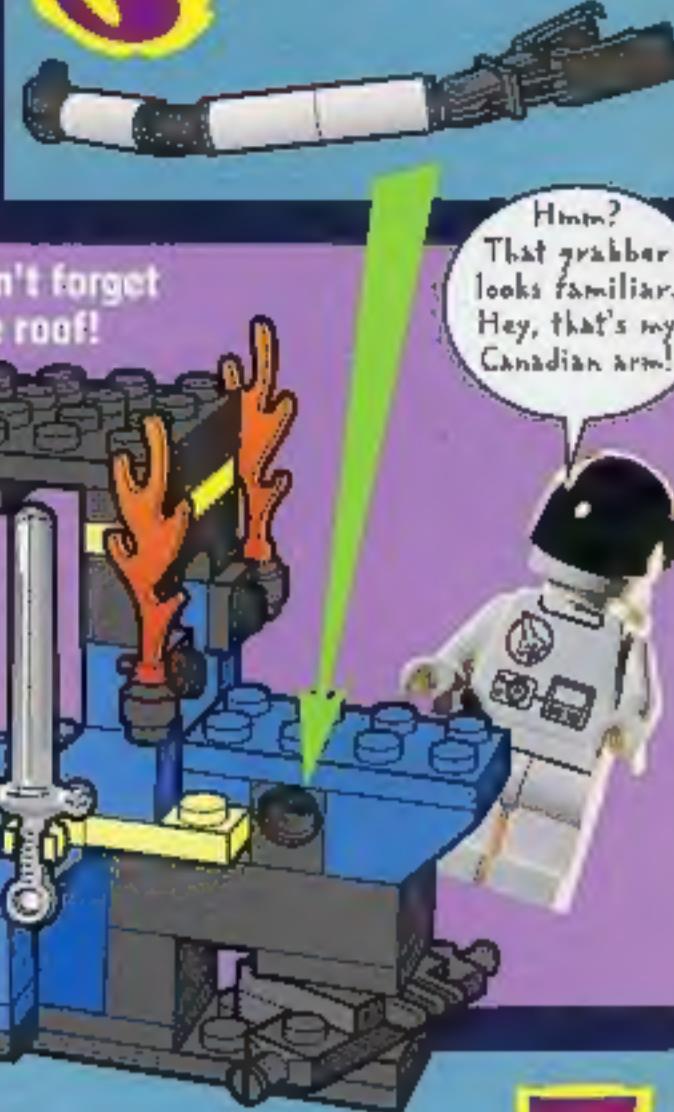
5

Spruce up the winter dragster with some flames, a flag and shield!



6

Add a grabber arm to dig your way out of trouble.



7

Attach skis from an Ice Planet set.



Thanks to a little cooperation and a LEGO Maniac's imagination, this SUPER SLED is powered up and ready for adventure!

Build-Your-Own

You can build the Super Sled like the LEGO characters in the comic with pieces from sets like #6044 King's Carriage, #6175 Crystal Explorer Sub, #6268 Renegade Runner, or pieces from your own collection.





Technic

#8858
Rebel Wrecker

TECH TIPS

Hey Maniacs! Make it Move with LEGO TECHNIC!

LEGO TECHNIC sets are special because you build cool moving parts on every model. Build fun features like: springing suspensions, pumping pistons, rotating rotors, working cranes, opening trunks and shifting gears. LEGO TECHNIC models look so real, you'll think they move by themselves. (And parts of them will - when you add the #8720 9-volt Power Pack.) If you were only seven inches tall, you could really move in these high powered vehicles. There are planes, helicopters, motorcycles, race cars, off-roaders and a monster truck.

LEGO MANIAC, Eric Bengfort of Texas, says this about his Rebel Wrecker: "I like the suspension best. You can push on it and it bounces just like a real one would."

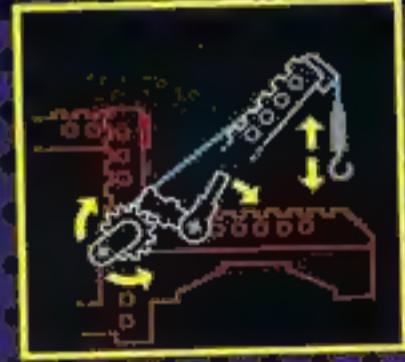


Drive over anything with big balloon tires!

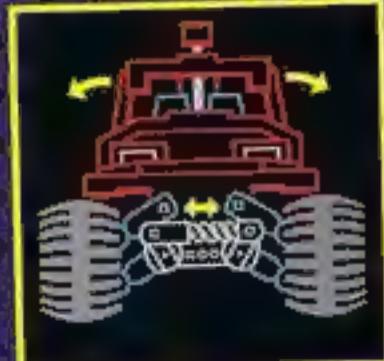
The Rebel Wrecker has lots of rad features!

#8720
Power Pack

Crank the crane and give dude cars a tow!



Steer the beast with the knob on the roof!



Every LEGO TECHNIC set includes instructions to build 2 models.

Eric built the alternate Dune Buggy model!

Power up with 6 pumping pistons!



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LEGO Maniacs

Skully the Skeleton's Popping Up All Over!

Get out your magnifying glass and Count the number of times you can find Skully in the Castle scene!

(See answer at bottom of page.)



LEGO Picture Frames

The holiday Gift You Can Build Yourself!

Stephen and Patrick Martin of New Jersey, sent us this holiday gift idea. You can build a picture frame from pieces in your own LEGO collection. All you need are some plates, a hinge piece for the stand and some special elements for decoration.



Check out the cool frames
Stephen and Patrick built.



Hinged pieces can be found in sets #6671 Flame Fighters and #6340 Hook and Ladder

Answer: There are 3 Skullys.

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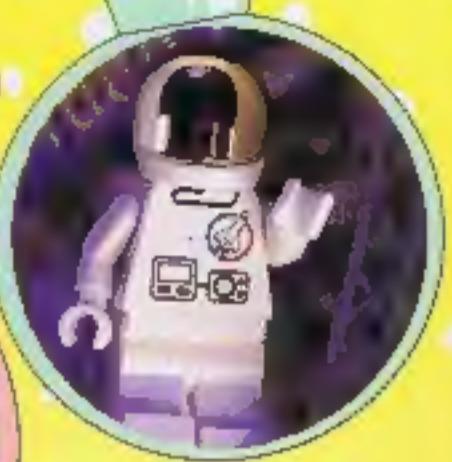
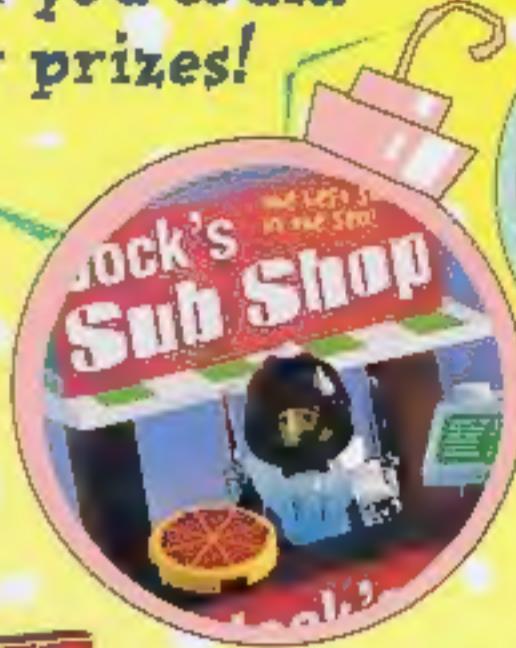


Your choice of 3 different LEGO sets available from Cheerios

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Who's the Holly Jolly Holiday Helper?

Guess who and you could win holiday prizes!



One LEGO character is helping deliver holiday cheer (and presents) around the world. Is it the Royal King, Captain Red Beard, the Aquanaut, or the Astronaut? Circle the correct LEGO character's name on the entry blank, and you could win a special LEGO holiday gift.

Okay, Sherlock! Use the clues below to identify this holiday helper. Then, whip out your magnifying glass and look at the Up Close & Personal section on page 2 and at the Special Edition Holiday Wish Book.



You could win one of these sets! Plus

winners get a LEGO Holiday Ornament and LEGO Bedding Ensemble!



CLUES

This LEGO character...

- ...uses a crane to load presents.
- ...has an animal for a best friend.
- ...has a hideout with a secret entrance.
- ...loves barefooting.

The first 10 randomly selected entries with the correct Holiday Helper will win a LEGO set of their choice (up to \$100 value), a LEGO Holiday Ornament and a LEGO Bedding Ensemble. Entries must be postmarked by January 27, 1996 and received by January 31, 1996. Winners will be notified by mail by February 21, 1996. Other void where prohibited or restricted by law. Employees of LEGO Systems, Inc. and members of their immediate families are not eligible to participate. Entries will be judged by LEGO Systems, Inc. on the basis of accuracy. ©1996 LEGO Group.

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Just fill in the contest entry form, cut it out and mail by Jan. 27, 1996 to:
Holly Jolly Holiday Helper Contest
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The Holly Jolly Holiday Helper is:
(Circle your answer)

- A. The Royal King
- B. Captain Red Beard
- C. The Aquanaut
- D. The Astronaut

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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